

INDIANA CANDIDATE SUBSIDY PROGRAM

NATIONAL BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL TEACHING STANDARDS 2002-2003

The Indiana Professional Standards Board is pleased to support candidates for National Board for Professional Teaching Standards certification. This is a challenging step forward professionally. The IPSB recommends that you thoroughly review the NBPTS web site (www.NBPTS.org) to discover a comprehensive overview of the process. The specific standards for each of the twenty-six certification areas are listed and the application forms are available.

To apply for a state subsidy of \$2,000 maximum, complete the following steps.

1. Fill out the NBPTS application form and submit your \$300.00 fee.
2. Go to <http://www.in.gov/psb> and download the CANDIDATE SUBSIDY APPLICATION FORM.
3. Get letters of support from your school principal and superintendent.
4. Submit application and supporting letters to the address below.

Once approved, you will be placed on the IPSB's NBCT listserv. You will need to be involved in some type of mentoring or support program in order to be approved for subsidy. Around Indiana there are several NBPTS mentoring/support programs available. Among them are the Teacher Quality Center's Key to Success at the ISTA, Regions 6 and 8, and several universities. The IPSB is willing to work with you to help you locate a mentoring/support program. Otherwise, please notify my office with that contact name. Indiana is committed to helping accomplished teachers succeed in their quest to achieve National Board Certification. The Professional Standards Board will work with you throughout the process. If there is more than 100 subsidy applicants this round, all subsidy awards will be determined by lottery. Please note the deadline for subsidy applications this round is **FRIDAY, Jan. 31, 2003, before 5:00 pm.**

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